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For: PROCESS FOR MAKING HIGH DENSITY AND LARGE PARTICLE  
SIZE COBALT HYDROXIDE OR COBALT MIXED HYDROXIDES AND A  
PRODUCT MADE BY THIS PROCESS  
Art Unit: Not Yet Assigned  
Examiner: Not Yet Assigned  
Attorney Docket: 308.7553USU

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Dear Sir:

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Respectfully submitted,



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